

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The City Of Augusta

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of the “CANCER RESEARCH CENTER”

WHEREAS, The Medical College of Georgia will cut the ribbon on its \$54 million, five-story, 160,000-square-foot Cancer Research Center on Friday, March 10; and

WHEREAS, the glass and pre-cast concrete structure at the corner of Laney-Walker and R.A. Dent Boulevards, will serve as a hub for expanding initiatives in basic and clinical cancer research and treatment as well as the education of future cancer physicians and scientists; and

WHEREAS, The Cancer Research Center is a long-awaited keystone to developing a cancer center of excellence, a program where academic excellence, innovative research and exceptional clinical quality combine to provide patients and their families with unparalleled care; and

WHEREAS, The Cancer Research Center is building thematically organized research programs that advance our understanding of disease mechanisms, risks and potential therapeutic interventions as well as translated science programs and clinical research that enable us to bring promising therapeutic agents to clinical trial; and

WHEREAS, The Georgia Research Alliance, Physicians Practice Group and Georgia Cancer Coalition are major supporters of the facility and the larger issue of improved cancer care for Georgians; and

WHEREAS, the support from a variety of cooperative organizations made this all possible; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deke Copenhaver, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 10th, 2006, as “CANCER RESEARCH DAY” in Augusta, Georgia, in honor of the new Cancer Research Center facility.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 10th day of March, 2006.

**Given under my hand
This 10th day of March 2006**

**Deke Copenhaver
Mayor**

